

Appl. No. 10/675,179
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The examiner rejected claims 1 and 3 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Perkins in view of Johnsen. The examiner also rejected claim 3 for failing to define the invention in the manner required by 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

Claims 1 and 3 have been canceled.

Claim 2 and claims 4 through 8 remain in this application.

The examiner rejected claim 2 as being unpatentable under 35 USC 103(a) over Perkins in view of Johnsen and further in view of Minneman, et al. Applicant respectfully disagrees.

Minneman, et al., discloses a hinge pin to move the target holders to different positions (see Minneman, et al., column 3, lines 22 and 23). The purpose of the hinge pin is not to fold the handle for storage and shipping, as in the present invention. Minneman, et al., does not disclose or suggest having a hinge pin in the handle portion of a disc throwing and catching device to fold the handle back on itself for storage and shipping.

Claims 4 – 8, which applicant believes claim matter not found in the cited prior art, have been added.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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